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9 **BEFORE THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY**

10 In the Matter of

11 **STEPHANIE UNDERHILL**

12 Holder of License No. S015729  
For the Practice of Pharmacy  
13 In the State of Arizona

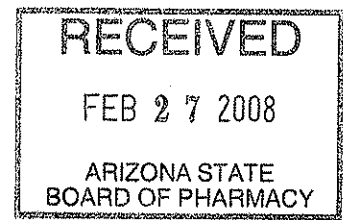
Board Case No. 08-0029-PHR

**CONSENT AGREEMENT  
AND ORDER FOR SUSPENSION  
AND PROBATION**

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15 **RECITALS**

16 In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of this case, consistent with the  
17 public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Arizona State Board  
18 of Pharmacy ("Board") under A.R.S. § 32-1901, *et. seq.*, Stephanie Underhill  
19 ("Respondent"), holder of Pharmacist License Number S015729 in the State of Arizona,  
20 and the Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law  
21 and Order ("Consent Agreement") as a final disposition of this matter.

22 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had  
23 the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney, or has waived the  
24 opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.  
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1           2.     Respondent understands that she has a right to a public administrative  
2 hearing concerning the above-captioned matter, at which hearing she could present  
3 evidence and cross examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement,  
4 Respondent knowingly and voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative  
5 hearing, as well as rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or  
6 any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters set forth herein.

7           3.     Respondent affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be  
8 irrevocable.

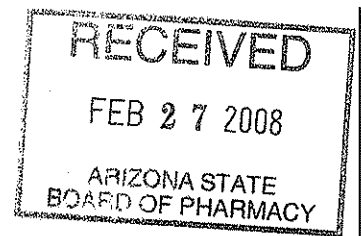
9           4.     Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the  
10 agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board against her.

11          5.     Respondent understands this Consent Agreement deals with Board  
12 Complaint No. 3482 involving allegations of unprofessional conduct against Respondent.  
13 The investigation into these allegations against Respondent shall be concluded upon the  
14 Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement.

15          6.     Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a  
16 dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any,  
17 and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority  
18 or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding.

19          7.     Respondent also understands that acceptance of this Consent Agreement  
20 does not preclude any other agency, subdivision, or officer of this State from instituting  
21 any other civil or criminal proceedings with respect to the conduct that is the subject of  
22 this Consent Agreement.

23          8.     All admissions made by the Respondent in this Consent Agreement are  
24 made solely for the final disposition of this matter, and any related administrative  
25 proceedings or civil litigation involving the Board and Respondent. Therefore, any  
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1 admissions made by Respondent in this Consent Agreement are not intended for any  
2 other use, such as in the context of another regulatory agency's proceedings, or civil or  
3 criminal proceedings, whether in the State of Arizona or in any other state or federal  
4 court.

5 9. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent  
6 Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, she may not  
7 revoke her acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any modifications to the  
8 document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been signed by the  
9 Executive Director. Any modification to this original document is ineffective and void  
10 unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing.

11 10. Respondent understands that the Consent Agreement shall not become  
12 effective unless and until adopted by the Board and signed by its Executive Director.

13 11. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent  
14 Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement  
15 shall remain in full force and effect.

16 12. Respondent understands and agrees that if the Board does not adopt this  
17 Consent Agreement, she will not assert as a defense that the Board's consideration of this  
18 Consent Agreement constitutes bias, prejudice, prejudgment or other similar defenses.

19 13. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement is a public record that  
20 may be publicly disseminated as a formal action of the Board and may be reported as  
21 required by law to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and  
22 Protection Data Bank.

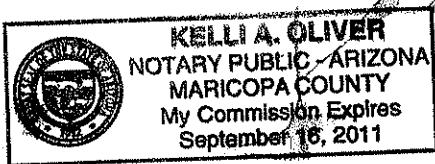
23 14. Respondent understands that any violation of this Consent Agreement  
24 constitutes unprofessional conduct and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. §§ 32-  
25 1901.01(B)(20), -1927(A)(1).

1 ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY RESPONDENT

2 Stephanie Underhill  
3 Stephanie Underhill

Dated: 2-22-08

4 Subscribed and sworn to before me in the County of Maricopa, State of Arizona,  
5 this 22 day of February, 2008, by Stephanie Underhill.



Kelli A. Oliver  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission expires: Sept. 16, 2011

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10 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

11 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the  
12 practice of pharmacy in the State of Arizona.

13 2. Respondent is the holder of license number S015729 to practice as a  
14 pharmacist in the State of Arizona.

15 3. During all times relevant to these Findings, Respondent worked as a  
16 pharmacist at Kmart Pharmacy #9825 in Phoenix Arizona, Arizona (the "Pharmacy").

17 4. In December 2007, the Board received information from the Pharmacy that  
18 Respondent had diverted various CII medications and various strengths of  
19 Hydrocodone/APAP for her own personal use.

20 5. Respondent diverted the following controlled substances from the  
21 Pharmacy: (a) oxycodone ER 40 mg; (b) oxycodone ER 30 mg; (c) oxycodone ER 20  
22 mg; (d) morphine sulfate ER 60 mg; (e) oxycodone/APAP 5/325; (f) oxycodone/APAP  
23 10/325; (g) hydrocodone/APAP 10/500; and (h) hydrocodone/APAP 10/325.

24 6. In addition, Respondent obtained 60 oxycodone 40 mg tablets from the  
25 Pharmacy by falsifying a prescription.  
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7. Morphine is a Schedule II controlled substance. A.R.S. § 36-2513(A)(1)(a)(xiii).

8. Oxycodone is a Schedule II controlled substance. A.R.S. § 36-2513(A)(1)(a)(xiv).

9. Hydrocodone/APAP is a Schedule III controlled substance. A.R.S. § 36-2514(A)(5)(d).

10. On December 11, 2007, Respondent entered in-patient drug treatment. On January 7, 2008, Respondent signed an agreement with Pharmacists Assisting Pharmacists of Arizona ("PAPA").

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901 *et seq.*

2. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1927(A)(1), the Board may discipline a pharmacist who has engaged in unprofessional conduct.

3. Respondent's practice and conduct, as described in the Findings of Fact, constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(2) ("Violating any federal or state law, rule or regulation relating to the manufacture or distribution of drugs and devices or the practice of pharmacy.").

4. Respondent's practice and conduct, as described in the Findings of Fact, constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(11) ("Knowingly dispensing a drug without a valid prescription order as required pursuant to section 32-1968, subsection A.").

5. Respondent's conduct as described in the Findings of Fact constitutes a violation of A.R.S. § 32-1968(A) ("A prescription-only drug shall be dispensed only under one of the following conditions: (1) By a medical practitioner in conformance with

1 A.R.S. § 32-1921; (2) On a written prescription order bearing the prescribing medical  
2 practitioner's manual signature; (3) On an electronically transmitted prescription order  
3 containing the prescribing medical practitioner's electronic or digital signature that is  
4 reduced promptly to writing and filed by the pharmacist; (4) On a written prescription  
5 order generated from electronic media containing the prescribing medical practitioner's  
6 electronic or manual signature. A prescription order that contains only an electronic  
7 signature must be applied to paper that uses security features that will ensure the  
8 prescription order is not subject to any form of copying or alteration; (5) On an oral  
9 prescription order that is reduced promptly to writing and filed by the pharmacist; (6) By  
10 refilling any written, electronically transmitted or oral prescription order if a refill is  
11 authorized by the prescriber either in the original prescription order, by an electronically  
12 transmitted refill order that is documented promptly and filed by the pharmacist or by an  
13 oral refill order that is documented promptly and filed by the pharmacist.”)

14         6.       The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute  
15 a violation of A.R.S. § 36-2531(E) (A person shall not provide a false prescription for a  
16 controlled substance or knowingly or intentionally acquire or obtain possession of a  
17 controlled substance by means of forgery, fraud, deception or subterfuge, including the  
18 forgery or falsification of a prescription). A person who violates A.R.S. § 36-2531(E) is  
19 guilty of a class 4 felony.

20         7.       The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute  
21 a violation of A.R.S. § 13-1802(A)(1) (A person commits theft if, without lawful  
22 authority, the person knowingly controls another person's property with the intent to  
23 deprive that other person of such property). Theft is a crime of moral turpitude. *State v.*  
24 *Superior Court of Pima County*, 121 Ariz. 174, 175-76, 589 P.2d 48, 49-50 (App. 1978)

1 (shoplifting involves moral turpitude and bears a close relationship to the common law  
2 crime of larceny).

3 8. The conduct and circumstances described in the Findings of Fact constitute  
4 a violation of A.R.S. § 13-3406(A)(1) (A person may not knowingly possess or use a  
5 prescription-only drug unless the person obtains the prescription-only drug pursuant to a  
6 valid prescription of a licensed prescriber). Furthermore, a person may not knowingly  
7 obtain or procure the administration of a prescription-only drug by fraud, deceit,  
8 misrepresentation or subterfuge. A.R.S. § 13-3406(A)(6). In either case, such illegal  
9 acquisition, possession or procurement of a prescription-only drug is a class 1  
10 misdemeanor. A.R.S. § 13-3406(B)(1). “The sale or dispensing or prescribing of  
11 narcotic drugs, except for medicinal use and under strict surveillance, [involves] moral  
12 turpitude.” *Du Vall v. Board of Medical Examiners of Arizona*, 49 Ariz. 329, 337, 66  
13 P.2d 1026, 1030 (1939).

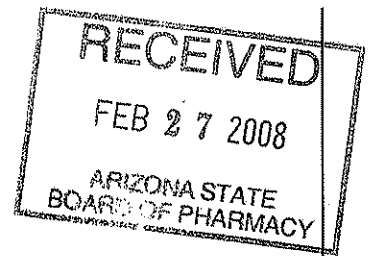
14 9. The conduct and circumstances described above constitutes unprofessional  
15 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(8) (“Committing a felony, whether or not  
16 involving moral turpitude, or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or any drug-  
17 related offense. In either case, conviction by a court of competent jurisdiction or a plea  
18 of no contest is conclusive evidence of the commission.”).

19 10. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional  
20 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1901.01(B)(10) (“Violating a federal or state law or  
21 administrative rule relating to marijuana, prescription-only drugs, narcotics, dangerous  
22 drugs, controlled substances or precursor chemicals when determined by the board or by  
23 conviction in a federal or state court.”).

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1           5.     Respondent shall not serve as a preceptor pharmacist or pharmacist  
2 in charge throughout the term of her probation.

3           6.     Respondent shall advise the Board immediately of any change in  
4 pharmacy employment status throughout the term of her probation.

5           7.     Respondent shall furnish the Board with a list of all jurisdictions in  
6 which she maintains or has maintained licensure in the profession of pharmacy  
7 along with the registration numbers of said licenses.

8           8.     Respondent shall obey all federal and state laws and rules governing  
9 the practice of pharmacy.

10          9.     If Respondent violates this order in any way or fails to fulfill the  
11 requirements of this order, the Board, after giving the respondent notice and the  
12 opportunity to be heard, may revoke, suspend or take other disciplinary actions  
13 against the Respondent's license. The issue at such a hearing will be limited  
14 solely to whether this order has been violated.

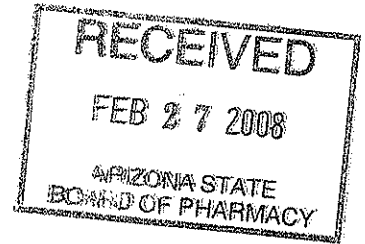
15          10.    Respondent shall appear before the Board at a regularly scheduled  
16 Board meeting five years after the effective date of this Order to request that the  
17 probation imposed by this order be terminated. Respondent's failure to petition  
18 the Board to terminate the probation shall extend the probation period.

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20 DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH, 2008.

21 ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

22 (Seal)

23 By: Hal Wand  
24 HAL WAND, R.Ph.  
25 Executive Director  
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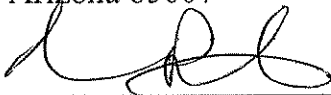
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